

Please do not allow Sinclair Broadcasting to air "Stolen Honor," the smear campaign against Senator John Kerry. Stand up for our rights as citizens of this country. Stand up for what the FCC is in place to stand up for. Be true to all Americans and do not allow big corporate money and control cloud your vision.

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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